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Application Number	10/053,516
Filing Date	January 16, 2002
First Named Inventor	Xianqiang Li
Group Art Unit	1634
Examiner Name	A. Chakrabarti
Attorney Docket Number	26757.710

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. s 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. **Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.**
 - a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office Action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
 - i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
 - ii. ☐ Other
 - b. ☒ Enclosed
 - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply 01/29/2004 MAHRED1 00000004 232415 10053516
 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) 01 FC:2801 385.00 DA
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
 - iv. ☐ Other
2. **Miscellaneous**
 - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F. R. § 1.17(i) required)
 - b. ☐ Other
3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.
 - a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 23-2415 (Docket No. 26757.710)
 - i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
 - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) – 1 month extension of time - \$55.00.
 - iii. ☐ Other
 - b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ enclosed
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In re Application)	<u>Patent Application</u>
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Inventor(s): Xianqiang Li, et al.)	Art Unit: 1634
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Application No: 10/053,516)	Examiner: CHAKRABARTI, Arun K.
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Filed: January 16, 2002)	Confirmation No. 1568
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Title: Screening Methods Involving The)	
<u>Detection of Short-Lived Proteins</u>)	

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Introductory Comments:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Examiner's Final Office Action mailed October 9, 2003 and Applicants' telephone interview with Examiner Arun Chakrabarti, Ph.D., on January 21, 2004. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the remarks below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper

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